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INSTRUCTIONS TO RED MAGDEBURG, SCHWERIN, BERLIN LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS (29 pp; German; Dec 1951)

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This document is a photostat copy of three route-instruction booklets published biweekly by the Reichsbahn Directorates (RED) in the German Democratic Republic for the use of their locomotive engineers. These particular booklets cover the period from 16 December to 29 December 1951 and are issued by RED's Magdeburg, Schwerin, and Berlin. The booklet issued by the RED Berlin contains a sketch of the Gruenau connection curve. Attached to the booklet issued by the RED Schwerin is an index map of the railroad network of that RED.

The route instructions list all locations along the right of way under the jurisdiction of the respective RED's which, during the period covered, required special attention of the locomotive engineers. The information is broken down by railroad lines (in numerical but necessarily incomplete order) and within those lines again by sectors (numbered consecutively regardless of lines) or by kilometer points within sectors.

The 9 columns under each item are headed as follows: 1. Consecutive number; 2. Sector (at operational office or between operational offices); 3. Location; 4. Irregularities and speed limit; 5. Time of day or type of train concerned; 6. Valid from . . . (date); 7. Valid until . . . (date); 8. Loss of time to be expected in either direction; 9. Reason and miscellaneous remarks.

The information covers ~~in either direction~~ such items as stops for train control; reduced speed at temporary bridges, at curves, or at track sections under repair; poor track condition; danger of fire through sparks from the locomotive. For many bridges instructions are given to close the ashpan and not to fire the locomotive.

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